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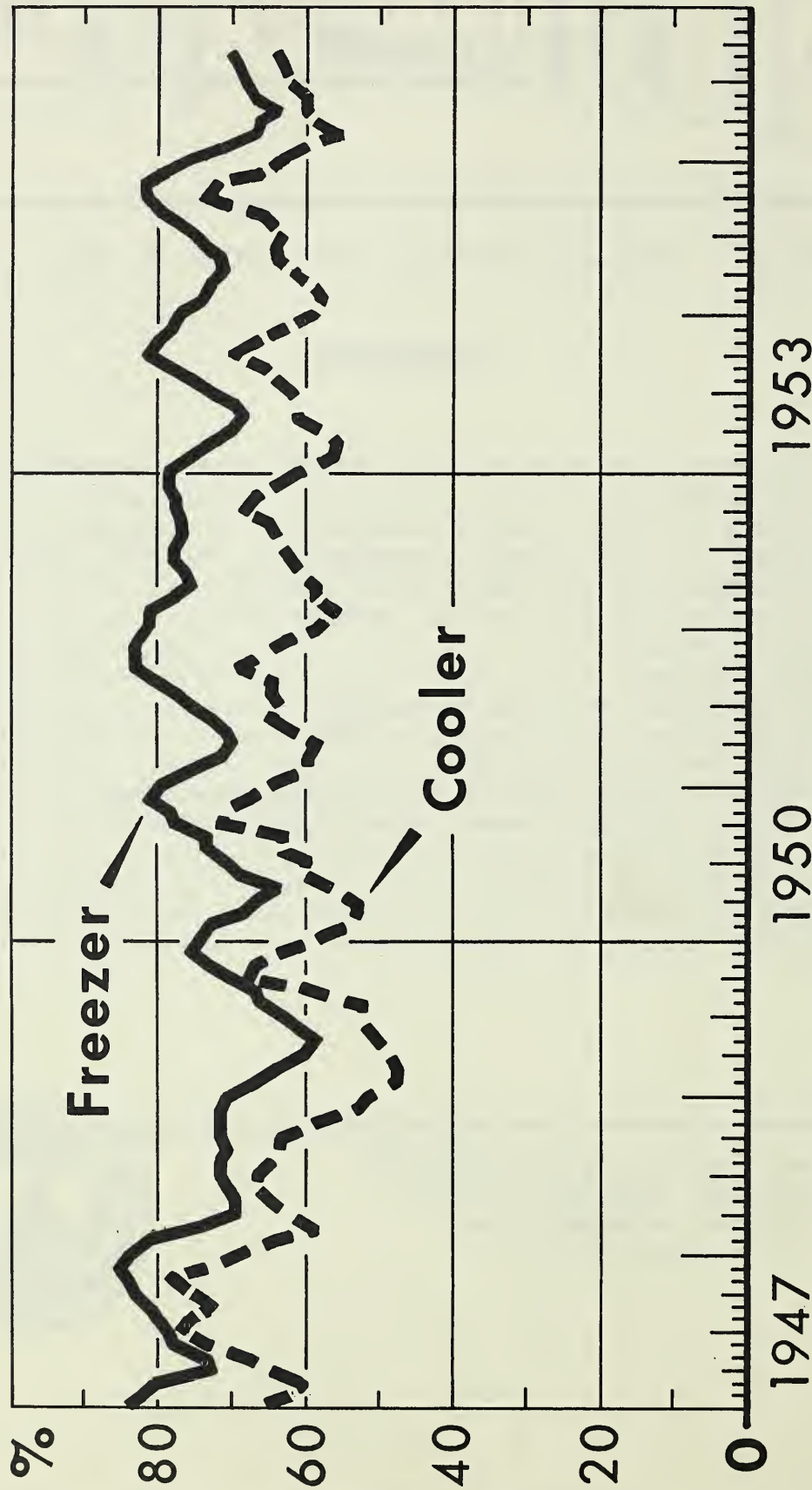
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PERCENTAGE OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES



END OF MONTH OCCUPANCY

COLD STORAGE REPORT

Analysis of holdings and space September 30, 1955

October

Data for this report are collected from public, private, and semiprivate warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants where food products are generally stored for 30 days or more. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All September 30 figures are preliminary.

Commodity summary

Refrigerated warehouse stocks of frozen fruits on September 30 amounted to 468 million pounds, the largest on record for that date since 1946. Frozen vegetable holdings were also at near record levels for September 30. Warehouse stocks amounted to about 681 million pounds which compares with the record 698 million reported September a year ago and 688 million on September 30, 1953. Stocks of creamery butter were reduced by 32 million pounds during September to total 295 million by the end of the month. These holdings were about 40 percent less than the stocks reported this time last year and were about 16 percent above average for this date. American cheese holdings, too, were reduced during September. End-of-month stocks were down to 556 million pounds which compares with 580 million a year ago. Seasonal gains in poultry stocks brought warehouse holdings up to 161 million pounds by September 30. A year ago, stocks totaled 188 million pounds while the 1950-54 average for September 30 is 171 million pounds. Shell eggs were down to 1.1 million cases by September 30. This compares with 833,000 cases a year earlier and 1.1 million which is average for this time of year. Red meat holdings were down to 402 million pounds by September 30. The year before, September holdings were 443 million pounds. The average for this date is 485 million pounds.

Storage occupancy

Utilization of public cooler and freezer space was below the September 30, 1950-54 average and the levels reported this time last year. Cooler space was 64 percent filled on September 30 which compares with 65 percent, the 5-year average, and 67 percent reported in 1954. Freezer occupancy at 70 percent was 8 points below the September 30 average and 10 points below the 1954 occupancy level.

General commodity movement

The net weight of cooler-held foodstuffs was increased during September by 525 million pounds which brought the total weight of all cooler products up to 1.9 billion pounds by the end of the month. Contributing largely to this seasonal gain were net into-storage movements of fresh fruits and vegetables which more than offset the net seasonal reductions in stocks of the other cooler-held products. Freezer-held products totaled 2.6 billion pounds on September 30, or about the same as the month before. Seasonal reductions in stocks of dairy products, eggs, juices, beef, and pork almost equaled the net storage gains reported for poultry, fruits, vegetables and selected meat items.

Fruits, juices, and vegetables

September 30 stocks of apples totaled 9 million bushels. This was about one-third more than the reported stocks of a year earlier and one-fourth larger than average for this date. Warehouse stocks of pears amounted to a little more than 3 million bushels or about the same as in 1954 for this date. The September 30 average is approximately 5 million bushels. Seasonal gains brought refrigerated stocks of frozen fruits up to 468 million pounds by September 30. These holdings were 28 percent above average for this date and 17 percent above the stocks of a year earlier. Storage gains in stocks of blackberries, peaches, blueberries, grapes,

and plums and prunes, contributed largely to the 27 million pound net gain in frozen fruit stocks reported during September which was almost twice the average gain for this time of year. Orange concentrate holdings were reduced by 5 million gallons during September to total 22 million by the end of the month. A year earlier, warehouse stocks amounted to 23 million gallons. Stocks of frozen vegetables were the third largest on record for this time of year. Current holdings of 681 million pounds were surpassed only in 1953 and 1954. During September, frozen vegetable holdings were increased by 76 million pounds, primarily in lima beans and sweet corn, but this gain was about 20 percent less than the net increase of the year before and 8 percent under average for September.

Dairy and poultry products

Warehouse stocks of cream were down to 21 million pounds by September 30. This compares with 18 million this time last year and 28 million which is the average for September 30. A sharp decline in butter stocks brought warehouse holdings down to 295 million pounds. The September net decline of 32 million pounds was four times the average net reduction and 60 percent greater than the reduction reported this time last year at which time over 488 million pounds were in storage. Average stocks for September 30 are 254 million pounds. A contraseasonal movement brought warehouse holdings of American cheese down 7 million pounds to 556 million by September 30. This time last year, a net gain of 1 million pounds raised stocks to 580 million pounds while the average September change is a 7 million pound increase and average holdings are 354 million pounds. Shell egg holdings at 1.1 million cases were about average for this date but compare with 833,000 cases in storage September 30, 1954. Frozen egg stocks declined more than average during September, 26 million pounds as compared with 23 million. Total stocks on September 30 amounted to 154 million pounds or about 11 percent more than the holdings of a year earlier and 17 percent more than average for this date. Refrigerated stocks of poultry increased seasonally by 41 million pounds. This gain was about equal to the average increase for September and the gain of last year. Current poultry stocks, at 161 million pounds, were about 10 million pounds under average and 28 million pounds under stocks of a year ago.

Meat and meat products

Refrigerated warehouse holdings of red meats were reduced during September by 45 million pounds leaving 402 million in storage by the end of the month. This reduction was almost twice as great as the net disappearance a year earlier but was only about two-thirds as great as the average reduction for September. Beef holdings, at 109 million pounds, were about equal to the stocks of a year ago but were 10 percent below the September 30 average. Also below average were the 178 million pounds of pork reported in storage the end of September. For this date, the average is 255 million pounds while the quantity reported this time last year was 215 million pounds.

Storage outlook

With the advent of the apple storage season, cooler occupancy may be expected to increase sharply during October. According to previous performance, a gain of 6 to 7-points is not unlikely. Freezer occupancy, too, is expected to rise during October but not by as much as the expected cooler gain. A gain of 2-points would be about average and also equal to the September to October change reported in 1954.

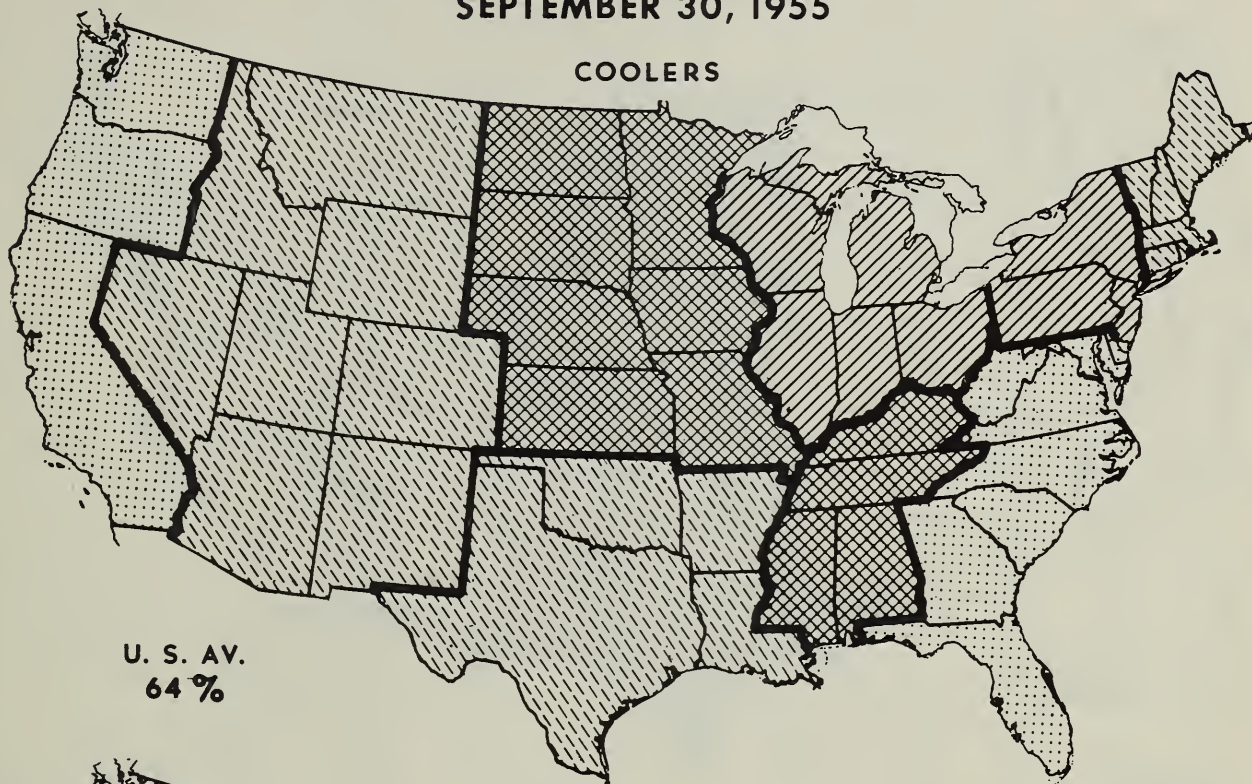
PUBLIC GENERAL COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES

(APPLE HOUSES EXCLUDED)

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

SEPTEMBER 30, 1955

COOLERS



U. S. AV.
64 %

FREEZERS



U. S. AV.
70 %

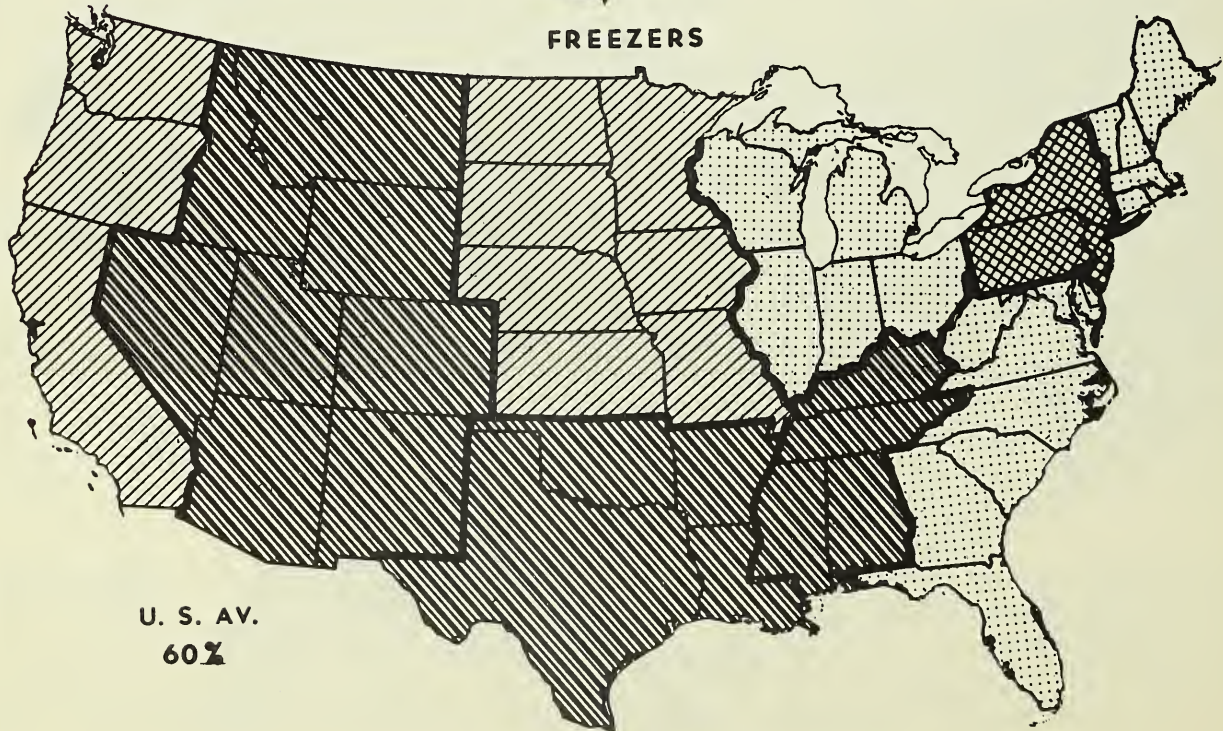
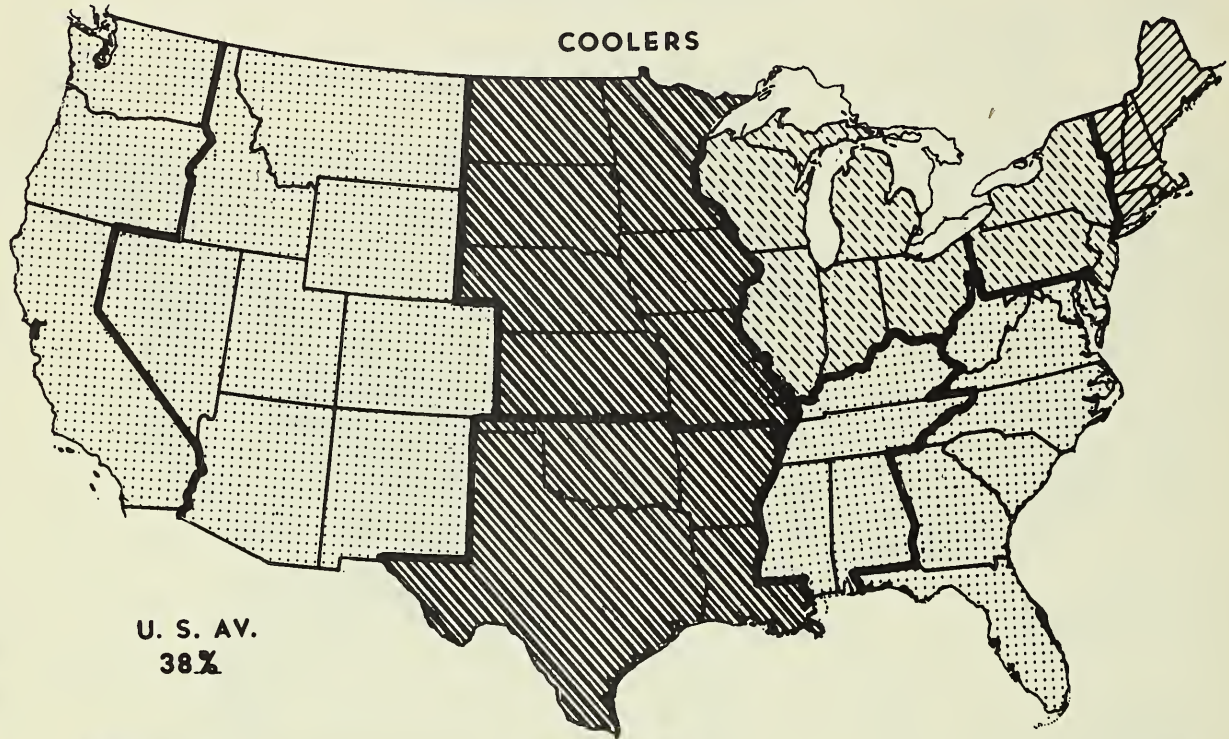
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Under 55 55 - 64 65 - 74 75 - 84 85 & over

COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES OTHER THAN PUBLIC

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

SEPTEMBER 30, 1955



% OCCUPANCY

Under 55 55 - 64 65 - 74 75 - 84 85 & over

TABLE 1. -- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general refrigerated warehouses

State or geographic region	Net piling space reported (1)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
	September 1955		September 1950-54 av.		September 1954		August 1955		September 1955	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt. . . .	434	1,486	46	81	20	67	24	67	26	60
Massachusetts	2,484	5,982	50	82	60	86	62	86	60	86
R. I. and Connecticut . .	278	801	59	68	59	55	26	72	76	67
New England	3,196	8,269	50	79	53	80	53	82	57	79
New York	21,402	19,050	60	79	63	83	50	76	63	77
New Jersey	4,994	10,656	62	89	64	88	77	78	75	76
Pennsylvania	4,873	8,329	62	85	69	89	68	76	67	78
Middle Atlantic	31,269	38,035	61	83	64	86	58	77	66	77
Ohio	3,428	6,504	68	81	69	88	65	80	67	82
Indiana	708	2,060	76	77	77	79	74	67	75	68
Illinois	13,686	12,559	70	79	79	89	76	80	72	83
Michigan	3,942	4,264	79	92	83	92	78	83	78	81
Wisconsin	4,679	2,049	86	84	84	88	86	70	76	68
East North Central . . .	26,443	27,436	73	81	79	88	77	79	73	80
Minnesota	1,242	5,085	73	79	86	90	80	73	69	69
Iowa	389	2,418	62	67	52	67	60	63	47	59
Missouri	4,972	7,228	71	65	72	74	75	60	74	58
Dakotas and Nebraska . .	786	4,303	60	82	58	90	70	58	65	54
Kansas	7,104	5,364	63	75	76	85	75	52	86	54
West North Central . . .	14,493	24,398	68	72	73	81	75	61	78	59
Delaware, Maryland & D.C.	1,367	5,394	61	77	71	78	68	49	62	53
Virginia and West Va. . .	5,771	2,746	58	77	48	73	38	68	42	67
North and South Carolina .	389	611	59	86	55	94	41	88	43	71
Georgia	3,332	2,016	64	72	64	77	56	80	53	79
Florida	1,306	6,441	64	57	71	44	68	54	70	47
South Atlantic	12,165	17,208	60	70	57	64	50	58	50	57
Kentucky	3/	3/	81	83	75	79	78	74	3/	3/
Tennessee	1,772	3,253	85	85	92	83	71	77	74	81
Alabama and Mississippi .	742	840	77	85	71	87	75	78	72	77
East South Central . . .	2,514	4,093	83	84	84	83	73	76	76	78
Arkansas	3/	3/	66	77	60	62	54	83	3/	3/
Louisiana	938	922	72	83	76	81	70	71	66	83
Oklahoma	600	1,252	67	71	66	76	60	66	58	67
Texas	6,468	7,249	55	60	56	49	57	44	55	43
West South Central . . .	8,006	9,423	61	61	60	57	59	52	57	51
Mountain	1,316	4,842	55	79	62	82	55	69	60	71
Washington	2,021	7,460	46	76	37	73	33	60	33	61
Oregon	907	5,877	46	81	38	81	39	78	44	81
California	15,424	19,624	65	81	59	78	66	71	54	74
Pacific	18,352	32,961	60	80	54	77	61	69	51	72
United States (4) . . .	117,754	166,665	65	78	67	80	64	70	64	70

(1) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1955.

(2) Preliminary

(3) Insufficient returns received from this State.

(4) Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

TABLE 2.-- End-of-month space and occupancy in public general warehouses in selected cities

City (1)	Net piling space reported (2)		Percentage of net piling space occupied							
			August 1954		September 1954		August 1955		September 1955	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	1,000 cu. ft.	1,000 cu. ft.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England :										
Boston	1,615	4,089	61	87	48	93	61	92	56	90
Middle Atlantic :										
New York	5,737	9,362	73	83	67	83	85	74	78	72
Buffalo	613	1,909	99	73	92	80	95	77	94	87
Rochester	6,708	2,349	15	71	46	70	23	67	47	70
Philadelphia	2,202	5,245	77	88	76	91	85	72	77	74
Pittsburgh	1,488	2,108	85	91	81	91	70	81	65	83
Jersey City	4,510	6,963	72	85	66	85	81	79	78	73
E. N. Central :										
Cleveland	2,077	2,631	71	87	70	93	57	79	61	84
Cincinnati	313	1,491	68	87	65	87	75	78	77	81
Chicago	10,452	11,784	78	87	79	89	77	80	74	83
Detroit	3,378	3,865	77	87	85	93	76	83	75	80
Milwaukee	287	1,409	81	92	81	93	90	73	77	75
W. N. Central :										
Minneapolis	779	2,570	94	88	81	90	82	79	62	78
St. Louis	2,138	3,527	72	80	70	78	64	63	65	61
Kansas City	1,998	4,908	81	78	74	78	63	55	63	54
South Atlantic :										
Baltimore & D.C.	1,273	5,056	70	67	72	78	67	50	60	53
Richmond	1,034	627	58	75	63	77	69	67	66	65
Norfolk	1,167	1,081	76	67	74	65	80	70	85	68
E. S. Central :										
Nashville	350	1,147	89	89	95	93	71	85	81	86
Memphis	615	1,407	86	75	81	72	67	74	63	77
W. S. Central :										
New Orleans	809	682	78	80	74	81	69	65	64	78
Dallas-Ft. Worth	4,567	5,431	53	37	51	44	58	40	56	40
Pacific :										
Seattle	1,044	1,838	57	69	56	78	54	56	53	64
Tacoma	353	1,984	10	57	6	71	9	67	8	70
Portland	399	3,598	51	74	51	81	68	82	55	84
Los Angeles	3,383	6,850	74	80	77	71	71	72	70	75
San Francisco	3,649	3,652	77	86	65	77	66	78	58	78
San Jose	3,181	2,095	81	73	77	85	89	76	56	71
Modesto	966	2,340	44	85	44	89	64	75	56	70

(1) Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25-mile radius of city named.

(2) Space reported to USDA and temperatures at which it was held September 30, 1955.

(3) Insufficient returns received from this city.

Table 3.—United States refrigerated net piling space capacity, October 1, 1953 ^{1/}

State or geographic region	Type of warehouse							
	Public general		Private & semiprivate general		Meat-packing plants		Apple houses	
	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.	Freezer 1,000 cu. ft.	Cooler 1,000 cu. ft.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	1,221	462	472	24	2/	2/	7	963
Massachusetts.....	7,539	2,845	650	545	2/	2/	14	2,309
Rhode Island & Conn.....	1,106	333	176	70	2/	2/	2	2,367
NEW ENGLAND.....	9,866	3,640	1,298	639	574	84	23	5,639
New York.....	19,477	22,852	1,886	2,993	560	3,452	401	14,558
New Jersey.....	12,138	4,711	505	292	281	103	35	1,984
Pennsylvania.....	8,668	6,267	1,113	1,009	117	864	124	3,641
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	40,283	33,830	3,504	4,294	958	4,419	560	20,183
Ohio.....	7,309	4,774	423	222	325	1,853	18	897
Indiana.....	1,831	644	518	403	312	445	-	443
Illinois.....	15,111	15,671	4,876	2,934	1,958	5,122	-	1,539
Michigan.....	5,308	4,096	1,752	1,461	227	847	{57	{2,475
Wisconsin.....	2,012	6,014	522	3,820	1,593	1,788	-	-
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	31,571	31,199	8,091	8,840	4,415	10,055	75	5,354
Minnesota.....	5,001	1,085	1,152	97	1,648	1,577	-	-
Iowa.....	3,296	609	755	503	2,630	1,930	-	-
Missouri.....	8,340	5,165	232	305	956	2,234	2/	2/
Dakotas and Nebraska.....	4,148	732	1,533	439	2,652	4,300	-	-
Kansas.....	2,909	7,273	747	227	621	1,785	2/	2/
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	23,694	14,864	4,419	1,571	8,507	11,826	5	735
Delaware, Maryland & D. C..	7,132	872	272	119	2/	2/	-	986
Virginia and W. Virginia...	2,858	6,811	940	1,416	-	184	480	14,587
North and South Carolina...	694	482	347	214	2/	2/	9	326
Georgia.....	2,396	3,504	631	207	408	486	-	-
Florida.....	5,081	1,129	9,588	35	-	-	-	-
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	18,161	12,798	11,778	1,991	457	1,016	489	15,899
Kentucky.....	953	889	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
Tennessee.....	3,974	2,081	257	3	274	429	2/	2/
Alabama and Mississippi....	1,008	1,094	2/	2/	2/	2/	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	5,935	4,064	387	119	329	529	2/	2/
Arkansas.....	488	256	{540	{52	2/	2/	2/	2/
Louisiana.....	1,542	972	-	-	2/	2/	2/	2/
Oklahoma.....	1,120	602	100	103	809	1,790	-	-
Texas.....	9,755	4,102	219	714	1,014	1,486	-	-
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	12,905	5,932	859	869	1,846	3,280	2/	2/
MOUNTAIN.....	4,571	1,556	1,143	238	1,064	764	2/	2/
Washington.....	7,974	2,091	4,348	837	339	1,152	259	52,376
Oregon.....	6,845	2,039	3,234	820	{352	{1,664	-	6,489
California.....	21,756	12,198	3,759	11,936	-	-	831	6,097
PACIFIC.....	36,575	16,328	11,341	13,593	691	2,816	1,090	64,962
UNITED STATES.....	183,561	124,211	42,820	32,154	18,841	34,789	2,252	113,548

^{1/} Total storage capacity in the United States and the lowest temperature at which it could be held as reported by the latest biennial survey, October 1, 1953.

^{2/} Not shown to avoid disclosure of individual plant reports.

Table 4. -- Net changes in storage holdings during September (1)

Cooler commodities	Holdings Sept. 30 1955	September net change		Freezer commodities	Holdings Sept. 30 1955	September net change	
		Quantity	Pct.			Quantity	Pct.
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	Pct.		1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	Pct.
Apples.....	439,440	428,256	-	Cream.....	20,595	-2,481	11
Pears.....	166,400	108,350	-	Butter, creamery..	295,377	-32,240	10
Other fresh fruits	39,469	17,537	80	Eggs.....	154,256	-25,664	14
Fresh vegetables..	57,864	38,238	-	Poultry.....	160,570	40,801	34
Dried & evap. fts.	31,465	-8,561	21	Fruits.....	468,027	27,355	6
Nuts & nut meats..	54,820	-14,977	21	Juices.....	320,877	-41,557	11
Cheese.....	589,273	-7,618	1	Vegetables.....	680,726	75,572	12
Other dairy prod..	120,944	-1,512	1	Beef.....	100,480	-1,594	2
Shell eggs.....	51,300	-24,300	32	Veal.....	11,227	1,009	10
Dried eggs.....	5,703	-685	11	Pork.....	103,777	-37,923	27
Beef.....	8,433	144	2	Lamb and mutton..	8,990	253	3
Pork.....	74,175	-2,749	4	Edible offal.....	53,489	509	1
Sausage.....	8,664	226	3	Sausage.....	4,423	691	19
Canned meats.....	28,811	-5,902	17	Miscellaneous....	240,874	2,803	1
Miscellaneous.....	269,541	-1,249	-				
Total.....	1,946,302	525,198	37	Total.....	2,623,688	7,534	-

(1) For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

NET WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES

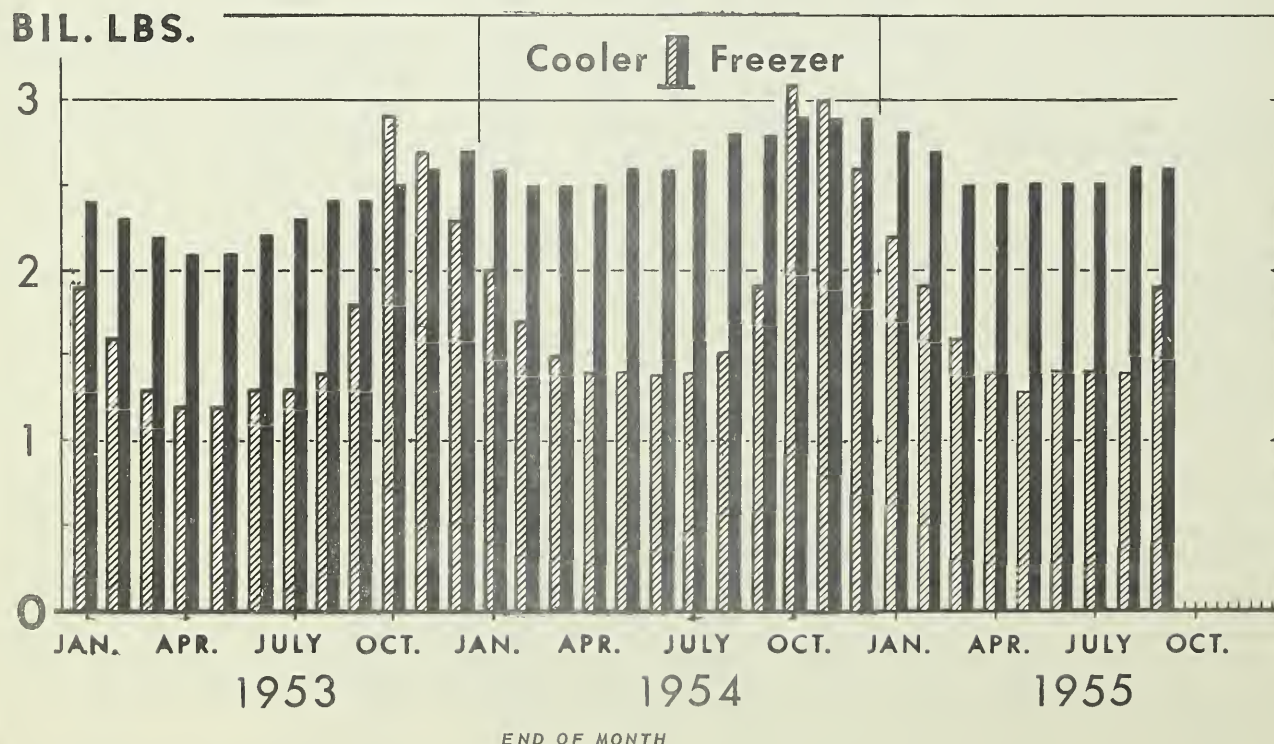


Table 5. — End-of-month apple holdings, by States

State	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	September 1955
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut	1,357	901	1,925
New York.....	2,825	3,551	4,734
New Jersey.....	107	95	216
Pennsylvania.....	139	132	168
Ohio.....	49	34	76
Illinois.....	184	148	193
Michigan.....	291	132	353
Missouri.....	74	33	69
Kansas.....	17	9	14
Virginia.....	669	620	483
West Virginia.....	144	221	198
Washington.....	627	286	262
Oregon.....	33	3	4
California.....	461	650	298
Other States (1).....	238	144	162
U. S. Total.....	7,215	6,959	9,155

(1) Holdings for States having significant quantities of apples are given above. Other holdings shown under "Other States."

Table 6. — End-of-month pear holdings, by States

State	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	September 1955
	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>	<u>1,000 bu.</u>
Vermont, Massachusetts and Connecticut	—	—	—
New York.....	90	37	83
New Jersey.....	45	43	11
Pennsylvania.....	5	4	1
Ohio.....	6	7	2
Illinois.....	22	25	6
Michigan.....	34	47	66
Missouri.....	3	5	2
Kansas.....	2	—	—
Virginia.....	1	—	—
West Virginia.....	—	—	—
Washington.....	1,626	1,439	1,506
Oregon.....	1,595	924	1,035
California.....	1,216	902	571
Other States (1).....	15	7	45
U. S. Total.....	4,660	3,440	3,328

(1) Holdings for States having significant quantities of pears are given above. Other holdings shown under "Other States."

TABLE 7. -- End-of-month stocks of fruits, vegetables, and nuts

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Fresh apples: Increased by 9 million bushels; September 1954 increase was 7 million bushels; average September increase was 7 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Increased by 2 million bushels; September 1954 increase was 1 million bushels; average September increase was 1 million bushels.

Commodity	Unit	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	August 1955	September 1955
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Apples, fresh:					
Western (1)	Standard box	1,006	911	155	516
Western	Bushel (2)	227	120	1	116
Eastern	Bushel basket	1,665	1,534	49	1,537
Eastern	Bushel (2)	4,317	4,394	28	6,986
Total	Bushel	7,215	6,959	233	9,155
Pears, fresh:					
Bartletts	Packed box	336	259	607	383
Bartletts	Loose box	2,060	1,269	407	1,009
Other varieties	Box	2,114	1,804	50	1,770
Other varieties	Bushel basket	150	108	97	166
Total	Bushel	4,660	3,440	1,161	3,328
Other fruits, vegetables, and nuts:					
Fresh grapes	Pound	(3)	48,517	4,140	27,499
Other fresh fruits . . .	do.	49,279	8,563	17,792	11,970
Dried & evaporated fruits	do.	35,363	27,407	40,026	31,465
Onions	do.	20,516	17,799	580	25,359
Celery	do.	2,732	1,371	266	4,227
Other fresh vegetables .	do.	23,274	28,416	18,780	28,278
Nut meats, peanuts . . .	do.	22,701	28,658	30,560	23,666
Nut meats, other nuts . .	do.	25,881	22,320	23,160	19,118
Peanuts, in shell	do.	1,426	1,972	1,944	3,946
Other nuts, in shell . . .	do.	15,004	19,887	14,133	8,090

(1) Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

(2) Other containers in terms of bushel equivalents.

(3) Data not available.

TABLE 8. -- End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products, by States,
September 30, 1955

State	Cream		Creamery butter	American cheese	Shell eggs	Frozen eggs	Total poultry
	Fluid	Plastic					
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 cases	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Massachusetts	450	36	2,782	1,566	5	2,478	4,638
Other States			627	362	3	759	1,129
New England			3,409	1,928	8	3,237	5,767
New York	9,779	1,204	35,276	95,089	32	13,608	19,562
New Jersey	980	-	19,793	10,965	59	5,654	5,370
Pennsylvania	1,661	134	9,870	17,224	16	7,251	10,084
Middle Atlantic			64,939	123,278	107	26,513	35,016
Ohio	428		8,449	17,619	24	6,054	5,014
Indiana			2,730	2,409	1	3,760	1,156
Illinois	850		107,212	47,083	650	25,029	22,705
Michigan	156		6,773	13,738	10	1,425	4,521
Wisconsin	1,637	8	5,379	157,127	21	1,324	1,150
East North Central			130,543	237,976	706	37,592	34,546
Minnesota	22	154	24,133	9,560	28	4,506	7,396
Iowa	61		17,338	1,720	8	8,790	4,171
Missouri	51	898	13,048	58,531	23	26,518	5,549
Dakotas			1,915	58	-	316	366
Nebraska	15	3	4,454	2,727	26	8,653	7,420
Kansas			1,589	21,474	60	11,824	1,003
West North Central			62,477	94,070	145	60,607	25,905
South Atlantic			9,448	38,373	37	5,192	13,300
Kentucky			2,141	10,073	3	2,604	982
Tennessee			3,978	19,941	12	3,005	1,139
Ala. and Mississippi			626	4,661	4	205	792
East South Central			6,745	34,675	19	5,814	2,913
Arkansas and Louisiana			1,841	3,478	8	1,438	1,912
Oklahoma			3,713	818	1	2,169	1,423
Texas	39	18	1,735	3,813	35	4,241	3,779
West South Central			7,289	8,109	44	7,848	7,114
Colorado			742	810	3	628	1,506
Other States			739	2,291	6	237	4,558
Mountain			1,481	3,101	9	865	6,064
Washington			2,883	506	4	912	1,769
Oregon			862	6,317	2	256	3,703
California	408	1	5,301	7,243	59	5,420	24,473
Pacific			9,046	14,066	65	6,588	29,945
Other States	641	961					
United States	17,178	3,417	295,377	555,576	1,140	154,256	160,570

TABLE 9. -- End-of-month stocks of dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Cream: Decreased by 2 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was 4 million pounds; average September decrease was 5 million pounds.

Butter: Decreased by 32 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was 20 million pounds; average September decrease was 8 million pounds.

Cheese: Decreased by 8 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was .1 million pounds; average September change was an increase of 7 million pounds.

Shell eggs: Decreased by 540 thousand cases; September 1954 decrease was 198 thousand cases; average September decrease was 532 thousand cases.

Frozen eggs: Decreased by 26 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was 22 million pounds; average September decrease was 23 million pounds.

Frozen poultry: Increased by 41 million pounds; September 1954 increase was 42 million pounds; average September increase was 42 million pounds.

Commodity	Unit	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	August 1955	September 1955
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Cream, milk, and butter:					
Fluid cream	Pound	24,405	16,284	18,892	17,178
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)	do.	3,154	1,751	4,184	3,417
Condensed milk (bulk)	do.	21,870	9,106	13,541	12,445
Evap. and Cond. milk (case goods)	do.	96,188	106,068	108,915	108,499
Butter, creamery.	do.	254,125	488,618	327,617	295,377
Cheese:					
American Cheddar.	do.	353,979	580,089	562,419	555,576
Swiss, including block	do.	9,306	9,256	6,845	6,626
All other varieties	do.	23,727	23,801	27,627	27,071
Total cheese.	do.	387,012	613,146	596,891	589,273
Eggs:					
Shell	Case	1,110	833	1,680	1,140
Frozen eggs, total.	Pound	131,322	138,784	179,920	154,256
Whites.	do.	35,822	44,479	46,552	37,468
Yolks	do.	28,146	30,373	45,670	40,794
Whole or mixed.	do.	59,599	58,919	77,899	67,955
Unclassified	do.	7,755	5,013	9,799	8,039
Dried eggs (egg solids).	do.	29,757	2,989	6,388	5,703
Total eggs (1).	Case	7,501	4,731	6,979	5,706
Poultry, frozen:					
Broilers } or	Pound	15,970	17,473	11,104	12,663
Fryers }					
Roasters.	do.	8,763	9,270	3,406	3,606
Hens (fowls).	do.	41,682	38,904	20,859	29,484
Turkeys	do.	60,384	77,608	47,986	74,913
Ducks	do.	15,488	16,845	13,603	14,504
Miscellaneous	do.	8,139	9,045	5,072	5,373
Unclassified	do.	20,410	19,272	17,739	20,027
Total poultry	do.	170,836	188,417	119,769	160,570

(1) Case equivalent. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 38.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10.2 pounds to the case.

Table 10. — Commodities stored in public general cold storage warehouses,
July 31, 1955

Cooler commodities	Net weight	Freezer commodities	Net weight
	<u>1,000 pounds</u>		<u>1,000 pounds</u>
Apples.....	5,328	Cream.....	24,771
Pears.....	3,300	Butter, creamery.....	301,129
Other fresh fruits.....	12,636	Eggs.....	171,266
Fresh vegetables.....	31,491	Poultry.....	89,818
Dried & evap. fruits.....	40,061	Fruits.....	300,806
Nuts & nut meats.....	70,301	Juices.....	209,165
Cheese.....	442,304	Vegetables.....	361,257
Other dairy products.....	106,721	Beef.....	74,489
Shell eggs.....	90,945	Veal.....	6,611
Dried eggs.....	4,796	Pork.....	125,224
Beef.....	1,231	Lamb and mutton.....	4,215
Pork.....	2,118	Edible offal.....	19,481
Sausage.....	247	Sausage.....	3,177
Canned meats.....	19,937	Fish.....	128,643
Lard.....	18,154	Miscellaneous.....	50,917
Fish.....	17,206		
Miscellaneous.....	139,353		
Total.....	1,006,129	Total.....	1,870,969

Table 11. — End-of-month stocks of certain commodities in storage owned by the
Government (1)

Commodity	Unit	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	August 1955	September 1955 (2)
		<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>	<u>Thou.</u>
Butter, creamery.....	lb.	178,598	431,923	243,204	211,719
American Cheddar cheese.....	do.	150,458	406,703	306,234	302,419
Shell eggs.....	Case	42	30	24	16
Frozen eggs.....	lb.	73	93	40	55
Poultry.....	do.	7,204	4,461	2,916	2,700
Pork.....	do.	(3)	8,016	5,287	4,095
Beef.....	do.	(3)	11,293	6,288	4,423

(1) Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed Services, and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the Armed Services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available.

(2) Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

(3) Data not available.

TABLE 12. — End-of-month stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Frozen fruits: Increased by 27 million pounds; September 1954 increase was 25 million pounds; average September increase was 14 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Increased by 76 million pounds; September 1954 increase was 96 million pounds; average September increase was 83 million pounds.

Frozen orange juice: Decreased by 5 million gallons; September 1954 decrease was 6 million gallons; average September decrease was 3 million gallons.

Commodity	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	August 1955	September 1955
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
Fruits, frozen:				
Apples	11,225	7,575	18,471	14,783
Apricots	4,999	3,920	8,548	8,711
Blackberries	15,103	15,907	6,133	15,607
Blueberries.	19,906	28,997	23,064	26,641
Cherries	68,013	70,410	88,102	83,632
Grapes	6,457	6,174	4,427	8,956
Peaches	26,570	31,355	20,887	38,115
Plums and prunes	8,663	9,739	4,288	10,459
Raspberries.	33,651	39,466	42,017	41,155
Strawberries	131,395	141,869	171,858	168,456
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	12,303	14,634	20,416	19,501
All other fruits	27,049	29,560	32,461	32,011
Total	365,334	399,606	440,672	468,027
Juices, frozen:				
Orange juice (1)	156,996	228,354	265,335	215,209
Gallons equivalent (2).	15,858	23,066	26,802	21,738
Other fruit juices and purees .	66,034	110,183	97,099	105,668
Vegetables, frozen:				
Asparagus	16,610	19,648	22,381	20,785
Beans, lima	90,671	114,078	56,437	101,218
Beans, snap	75,029	101,501	95,234	103,623
Broccoli	23,507	30,841	20,135	22,771
Brussels sprouts	8,575	13,872	12,816	13,368
Cauliflower.	7,671	11,431	5,364	5,676
Corn, sweet	62,775	91,187	67,280	95,532
Peas, green.	187,707	192,153	(3) 196,830	(3) 189,340
Pumpkin and squash	5,389	3,784	4,220	4,581
Spinach.	36,134	32,068	38,347	33,770
All other vegetables	58,507	87,521	86,110	90,062
Total.	572,575	698,084	605,154	680,726

(1) Orange juice - single strength and concentrated. Includes stocks in packer and public warehouses.

(2) Converted on the basis of 9.9 pounds per gallon. (3) Includes stocks in a warehouse not previously reported. Therefore, 5-year average and 1954 stocks not comparable.

TABLE 13. — End-of-month stocks of meats and meat products

Net changes in stocks during September and comparisons:

Beef: Decreased by 1 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was 4 million pounds; average September change was an increase of 5 million pounds.

Pork: Decreased by 41 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was 14 million pounds; average September decrease was 67 million pounds.

Other meats: Decreased by 3 million pounds; September 1954 decrease was 6 million pounds; average September decrease was 8 million pounds.

Commodity	September 1950-54 av. 1,000 pounds	September 1954 1,000 pounds	August 1955 1,000 pounds	September 1955 1,000 pounds
Beef:				
Frozen	112,426	101,465	101,039	99,356
In cure, cured and smoked	8,406	8,108	9,324	9,557
Total	120,832	109,573	110,363	108,913
Pork:				
Frozen	114,352	109,302	127,212	92,630
Dry salt, in cure and cured	28,561	21,215	21,288	13,464
Other in cure, cured, and smoked	11,705	84,540	70,124	71,858
Total	254,618	215,057	218,624	177,952
Other meats and meat products:				
Sausage and sausage room products	13,983	13,856	12,170	13,087
Frozen lamb and mutton	8,748	7,359	8,737	8,990
Frozen veal	10,490	11,717	10,218	11,227
Canned meats and meat products	27,973	35,310	34,713	28,811
All edible offal	47,915	50,585	52,980	53,489
Total	109,109	118,827	118,818	115,604
Total all meats	484,559	443,457	447,805	402,469
Hides and pelts	67,620	94,759	84,941	88,797

Table 14. — End-of-month stocks of fishery products (1)

Species	September 1950-54 av.	September 1954	August 1955	September 1955
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Frozen fish:				
Bait & animal food (salt & fresh-water).....	3,882	5,182	5,963	5,719
Salt-water:				
Filletts and steaks:				
Blocks and slabs.....	(2)	(2)	14,106	16,801
Cod.....	11,327	15,690	8,050	7,432
Flounder.....	3,749	2,026	5,058	4,849
Haddock.....	12,673	15,791	9,856	10,115
Halibut.....	(2)	(2)	2,432	2,614
Ocean perch.....	16,281	19,721	14,137	11,235
Pollock.....	1,201	873	912	997
Salmon.....	(2)	(2)	307	240
Whiting (incl. split "butterfly")...	2,062	1,399	1,697	3,064
Other filletts and steaks.....	5,721	6,690	3,761	4,038
Fish sticks or pieces (cooked & uncooked, all species).....	(2)	(2)	5,658	4,205
Round, dressed, etc.:				
Halibut.....	24,352	29,857	24,650	21,384
Mackerel (except Spanish).....	1,801	1,639	1,263	1,427
Sablefish.....	2,900	3,461	2,114	3,341
Salmon:				
King or chinook.....	5,173	5,650	3,543	3,636
Silver or coho.....	5,180	6,182	2,880	4,056
Fall or chum.....	729	366	212	255
Unclassified.....	1,443	3,025	961	1,224
Smelt.....	1,178	998	1,858	1,584
Swordfish.....	2,054	1,994	2,164	2,069
Tuna.....	2,809	2,943	2,293	6,936
Whiting, headed and gutted.....	15,003	10,113	16,356	13,674
Other salt-water fish (except bait)...	22,451	23,119	16,429	15,896
Fresh-water:				
Filletts and steaks.....	975	1,930	658	507
Round, dressed, etc.:				
Chubs.....	1,076	930	805	1,594
Trout.....	940	1,392	1,453	1,713
Whitefish.....	2,006	1,965	1,577	1,602
Other fresh-water fish (except bait)...	4,611	4,990	3,930	3,584
Frozen shellfish:				
Crabs (incl. crab meat).....	668	697	721	841
Lobster tails (spiny).....	1,795	1,898	3,084	2,829
Oysters.....	340	425	631	516
Scallops.....	2,765	1,549	2,234	2,422
Shrimp, raw and headless.....	17,350	25,117	13,333	14,213
All other.....	(2)	(2)	4,364	4,248
Squid.....	1,723	1,315	1,531	996
Other shellfish.....	2,169	3,301	3,236	2,956
Total frozen fish and shellfish....	178,387	202,228	184,217	184,812
Cured fish.....	27,169	17,935	20,748	20,833
Total all fish and shellfish.....	205,556	220,163	204,965	205,645

(1) Data furnished by the Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service.

(2) Data not published separately for this period.

TABLE 15. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, September 30, 1955

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Fruits, frozen:											
Apples	Pound	853	3,539	4,249	1,102	3,834	345	239	134	488	14,783
Apricots	do.	182	527	954	352	118	7	230	388	5,953	8,711
Blackberries	do.	48	615	964	299	142	950	365	83	12,141	15,607
Blueberries	do.	4,351	7,027	9,646	3,065	971	55	105	169	1,252	26,641
Cherries	do.	326	43,564	22,090	5,618	2,180	973	662	1,869	6,350	83,632
Grapes	do.	2	4,021	4,264	298	3	12	10	14	332	8,956
Peaches	do.	560	7,579	5,137	1,331	7,330	613	684	516	14,365	38,115
Plums and prunes	do.	102	2,581	3,464	134	49	108	101	494	3,426	10,459
Raspberries	do.	1,332	6,837	5,099	2,690	396	269	189	411	23,932	41,155
Strawberries	do.	6,355	22,279	19,079	11,130	5,422	5,607	3,433	1,302	93,849	168,456
Youngberries, Loganberries, etc.	do.	19	801	1,315	383	51	26	160	198	16,548	19,501
All other fruits	do.	5,113	5,688	4,955	1,593	1,291	530	703	185	11,953	32,011
Total	do.	19,243	105,058	81,216	27,995	21,787	9,495	6,881	5,763	190,589	468,027
Juices, frozen:											
Orange juice (1)	do.	4,125	21,124	13,034	8,052	137,263	1,736	3,823	2,231	23,821	215,209
Other fruit juices and purees	do.	3,676	25,697	16,543	6,854	27,672	1,160	6,436	1,383	16,247	105,668
Vegetables, frozen:											
Asparagus	do.	864	6,284	1,767	1,495	3,687	373	373	276	5,666	20,785
Beans, lima	do.	1,097	18,906	8,210	6,865	14,999	2,948	2,202	7,020	38,971	101,218
Beans, snap	do.	2,309	38,495	6,755	3,581	8,488	2,298	1,033	981	39,683	103,623
Broccoli	do.	708	5,382	1,954	1,271	1,511	831	745	377	9,992	22,771
Brussels sprouts	do.	262	2,523	971	1,422	802	473	385	246	6,284	13,368
Cauliflower	do.	157	1,367	490	289	410	312	224	233	2,194	5,676
Corn, sweet	do.	1,378	17,948	9,893	23,474	5,577	1,136	1,822	2,270	32,034	95,532
Peas, green	do.	9,440	39,011	16,430	23,670	7,235	1,825	2,028	6,113	83,588	189,340
Pumpkin and squash	do.	130	1,126	578	763	795	137	192	119	741	4,581
Spinach	do.	814	12,101	2,010	1,479	2,949	733	1,280	675	11,729	33,770
All other vegetables	do.	2,896	18,481	10,069	10,244	14,984	10,310	4,187	3,629	15,262	90,062
Total	do.	20,055	161,624	59,127	74,553	61,437	21,376	14,471	21,939	246,144	680,726
Fruits, vegetables and nuts:											
Fresh grapes	do.	14	97	300	51	43	-	-	-	26,994	27,499
Other fresh fruits	do.	84	4,751	2,121	154	1,377	315	653	521	1,994	11,970
Dried and evaporated fruits	do.	921	18,223	4,098	1,272	2,460	754	973	18	2,746	31,465
Onions	do.	-	17,374	3,104	-	72	-	129	-	4,680	25,359
Celery	do.	-	3,176	898	23	112	18	-	-	-	4,227
Other fresh vegetables	do.	99	3,358	9,113	3,305	513	431	2,330	904	8,225	28,278
Peanut meats	do.	1,243	3,047	7,931	519	4,257	694	5,290	-	685	23,666
Other nut meats	do.	1,245	4,836	3,273	1,249	896	327	1,004	35	6,253	19,118
Peanuts, in shell	do.	44	205	2,258	130	1,200	43	42	-	24	3,946
Other nuts, in shell	do.	446	2,920	1,439	302	522	84	357	60	1,960	8,090
Fresh apples	Bushel	1,970	5,117	671	94	699	14	24	1	565	9,155
Fresh pears	do.	34	94	74	2	2	-	2	2	3,118	3,328

(1) Concentrated and single strength.

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TABLE 15. -- Cold storage holdings, by geographic regions, September 30, 1955 -- Continued

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
		Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Dairy products and eggs:	Pound	675	12,420	3,071	149	187	8	123	32	513	17,178
Cream (not including plastic)	do.	778	1,338	14	1,055	126	-	18	87	1	3,417
Cream, plastic	do.	3,409	64,939	130,543	62,477	9,448	6,745	7,289	1,481	9,046	295,377
Butter, creamery	do.	1,928	123,278	237,976	94,070	38,373	34,675	8,109	3,101	14,066	555,576
Cheese, American Cheddar	do.	-	850	3,766	1,349	13	4	58	466	120	6,626
Cheese, Swiss including block	do.	787	8,197	13,130	2,514	884	670	259	179	451	27,071
Cheese, all other varieties	do.	8	107	706	145	37	19	44	9	65	1,140
Eggs, shell	Case	3,237	26,513	37,592	60,607	5,192	5,814	7,848	865	6,588	154,256
Eggs, frozen	Pound	37	371	637	4,152	436	-	12	2	56	5,703
Eggs, dried (egg solids)	do.										
Poultry, frozen:											
Broilers } or											
Fryers	do.	405	2,358	1,466	1,407	2,319	681	1,410	286	2,331	12,663
Roasters	do.	357	2,116	515	263	104	9	4	6	232	3,606
Fowls (hens)	do.	689	7,468	3,714	10,140	749	194	1,110	58	5,362	29,484
Turkeys	do.	3,138	11,919	15,905	10,947	6,786	955	3,272	4,710	17,281	74,913
Ducks	do.	677	8,365	2,911	559	683	183	454	74	598	14,504
Miscellaneous	do.	381	737	1,229	1,082	105	332	125	91	1,291	5,373
Unclassified	do.	120	2,053	8,806	1,507	2,554	559	739	839	2,850	20,027
Total	do.	5,767	35,016	34,546	25,905	13,300	2,913	7,114	6,064	29,945	160,570
Meats, meat products and fish:											
Beef, frozen	do.	8,512	16,568	25,370	16,430	3,745	3,261	8,294	2,087	15,089	99,356
Veal, frozen	do.	639	2,913	2,547	1,648	597	207	1,744	127	805	11,227
Pork, frozen	do.	2,588	11,350	31,037	26,865	5,491	2,915	5,419	1,948	5,017	92,630
Lamb and mutton, frozen	do.	408	1,808	1,827	1,615	146	72	1,584	390	1,140	8,990
Beef, in cure, cured and smoked	do.	83	2,810	2,829	2,504	545	11	355	12	408	9,557
Dry salt pork, in cure & cured	do.	89	451	4,177	5,908	917	321	653	763	185	13,464
All other pork, in cure, cured and smoked	do.	676	5,893	14,558	35,080	5,136	1,309	3,083	1,449	4,674	71,858
All edible offal	do.	1,119	5,626	18,248	19,001	1,889	1,898	1,637	1,614	2,457	53,489
Sausage room products	do.	212	2,514	3,220	3,292	1,096	461	995	191	1,106	13,087
Canned meats and meat products	do.	245	7,294	10,552	7,878	749	35	415	136	1,507	28,811
Total	do.	14,571	57,227	114,365	120,221	20,311	10,490	24,179	8,717	32,388	402,469
Hides and pelts	do.	11,783	876	34,796	31,861	2,362	433	3,500	1,800	1,386	88,797
Fish, frozen	do.	56,483	27,460	23,909	7,071	7,198	10,347	2,587	906	(1) 48,851	184,812

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